

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate was not in session today. It will next meet at 2 p.m., on Monday, October 26, 2009.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 5 public bills, H.R. 3919–3923; and 8 resolutions, H. Res. 862–869 were introduced. **Pages H11739–40**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H11740**

Reports Filed: A report was filed today as follows: H.R. 1612, to amend the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 to expand the authorization of the Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, and the Interior to provide service-learning opportunities on public lands, help restore the nation's natural, cultural, historic, archaeological, recreational, and scenic resources, train a new generation of public land managers and enthusiasts, and promote the value of public service (H. Rept. 111–312, Pt. 1);

H.R. 2868, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to extend, modify, and recodify the authority of the Secretary of Homeland Security to enhance security and protect against acts of terrorism against chemical facilities, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–205, Pt. 2); and

H.R. 3258, to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to enhance the security of the public water systems of the United States, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–313). **Page H11739**

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Barry C. Black, Chaplain, United States Senate. **Page H11715**

Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010: The House passed H.R. 3619, to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal year 2010, by a yeas

and-nays vote of 385 yeas to 11 nays, Roll No. 813. Consideration of the measure began on Thursday, October 22nd. **Pages H11717–24**

Agreed to:

Flake amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 111–311) that prohibits earmarking the Fishing Safety Training Grants Program; **Pages H11717–18**

Flake amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 111–311) that prohibits earmarking the Fishing Safety Research Training Grants Program; **Page H11718**

Kirkpatrick (AZ) amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 111–311) that requires that the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating to develop a comprehensive strategy to combat the illicit flow of narcotics, weapons, bulk cash, and other contraband through the use of submersible and semi-submersible vessels; **Pages H11718–19**

Nye amendment (No. 11 printed in H. Rept. 111–311) that states that the marine safety provisions of the bill shall not impair the Coast Guard's homeland security missions; **Pages H11720–21**

Oberstar amendment (No. 12 printed in H. Rept. 111–311) that requires the Coast Guard to modify the 2004 Agreement for Outgoing Loans with Presque Isle Township, Michigan, in order to provide for the return of the Historic Fresnel Lens to the lantern room atop the Presque Isle Light Station Lighthouse, Michigan; **Page H11721**

LoBiondo amendment (No. 13 printed in H. Rept. 111–311) that grants limits on liability for actions taken by an owner, operator, time charterer, master or mariner to defend a flagged vessel against attack by pirates. It also requires the secretary to

work through the International Maritime Organization to establish agreements to promote coordinated action among flag-and port-states to protect against piracy; and

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Kratovil amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 111–311) that requires the Coast Guard to study the facility infrastructure requirements needed to fulfill the Coast Guard's missions and capabilities, and ensure that the department in which the Coast Guard is operating maintains the ability to utilize the latest technologies (by a recorded vote of 398 ayes with none voting "no", Roll No. 812).

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Agreed that the Clerk be authorized to make technical and conforming changes to reflect the actions of the House.

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H. Res. 853, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to on Thursday, October 22nd.

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, October 26 for morning-hour debate, and further, when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, October 27, for morning-hour debate.

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Quorum Calls Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H11723, H11724. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 12:47 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of October 26 through October 31, 2009

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, following a period of morning business, Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Irene Cornelia Berger, and after a period of debate, vote on confirmation of the nomination at 2:15 p.m.; following which, Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3548, Unemployment Compensation Extension Act, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at 2:30 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: October 27, Subcommittee on Domestic and Foreign Marketing, Inspection, and Plant and Animal Health, with the Subcommittee on Production, Income Protection and Price Support, to hold joint hearings to examine low dairy prices, focusing on exploring avenues for federal action, 2:30 p.m., SH–216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: October 28, Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine dark pools, flash orders, high frequency trading, and other market structure issues, 10 a.m., SD–538.

October 29, Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation and Community Development, to hold hearings to examine modernizing affordable housing for seniors and people with disabilities, 10:30 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on the Budget: October 29, to hold hearings to examine performance-informed budgeting, focusing on opportunities to reduce cost and improve service, 10 a.m., SD–608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: October 27, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the broadband stimulus programs in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

October 28, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine combating distracted driving, focusing on managing behavioral and technological risks, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

October 29, Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the National Transportation Safety Board, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: October 28, to hold hearings to examine the role of natural gas in mitigating climate change, 10 a.m., SD–366.

October 28, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine current and expected impacts of climate change on units of the National Park System, 2 p.m., SD–366.

October 29, Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 555, to provide for the exchange of certain land located in the Arapaho-Roosevelt National Forests in the State of Colorado, S. 607, to amend the National Forest Ski Area Permit Act of 1986 to clarify the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture regarding additional recreational uses of National Forest System land that are subject to ski area permits, S. 721, to expand the Alpine Lakes Wilderness in the State of Washington, to designate the Middle Fork Snoqualmie River and Pratt River as wild and scenic rivers, S. 1122, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to enter into cooperative agreements with State foresters authorizing State foresters to provide certain forest, rangeland, and watershed restoration and protection services, S. 1328 and H.R. 689, bills to provide for the exchange of administrative jurisdiction over certain Federal land between the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management, S. 1442, to

amend the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 to expand the authorization of the Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, and the Interior to provide service-learning opportunities on public lands, establish a grant program for Indian Youth Service Corps, help restore the Nation's natural, cultural, historic, archaeological, recreational, and scenic resources, train a new generation of public land managers and enthusiasts, and promote the value of public service, and H.R. 129, to authorize the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in the Los Padres National Forest in California, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: October 27, to hold hearings to examine S. 1733, to create clean energy jobs, promote energy independence, reduce global warming pollution, and transition to a clean energy economy, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

October 28, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine S. 1733, to create clean energy jobs, promote energy independence, reduce global warming pollution, and transition to a clean energy economy, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

October 29, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine S. 1733, to create clean energy jobs, promote energy independence, reduce global warming pollution, and transition to a clean energy economy, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: October 29, to hold hearings to examine helping workers preserve retirement security through a recession, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: October 28, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight, to hold hearings to examine new Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance to combat waste, inefficiency, and misuse in federal government contracting, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

October 29, Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine Federal cyber defense, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: October 28, to hold hearings to examine effective strategies for preventing health care fraud, 10 a.m., SD-226.

October 29, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 448 and H.R. 985, bills to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media, S. 714, to establish the National Criminal Justice Commission, S. 1490, to prevent and mitigate identity theft, to ensure privacy, to provide notice of security breaches, and to enhance criminal penalties, law enforcement assistance, and other protections against security breaches, fraudulent access, and misuse of personally identifiable information, S. 139, to require Federal agencies, and persons engaged in interstate commerce, in possession of data containing sensitive personally identifiable information, to disclose any breach of such information, and the nominations of Barbara Milano Keenan, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Carmen Milagros Ortiz, to be United States Attorney for the District of Massachusetts, and Edward J. Tarver, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia, both of the

Department of Justice, and Ketanji Brown Jackson, of Maryland, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: October 27, to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

October 29, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

Special Committee on Aging: October 28, to hold hearings to examine 401(k) target date funds, 2 p.m., SD-562.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, October 28, Subcommittee on Horticulture and Organic Agriculture, hearing to review the implementation of the Horticulture and Organic Agriculture Title of the Food, Conservation and Energy Act of 2008, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

October 29, Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy, and Research, hearing to review the future of next generation biofuels, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, October 29, Defense Acquisition Reform Panel, hearing on Can DOD Improve Innovation and Competition in Acquisition by Better Utilizing Small Business? 8 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

October 29, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Defeating the Improvised Explosive Device (IED) and Other Asymmetric Threats: Reviewing the Performance and Oversight of the Joint IED Defeat Organization (JIEDDO), 10 a.m., 210 HVC.

Committee on Education and Labor, October 29, hearing on Nevada's Workplace Health and Safety Enforcement Program: OSHA's Finding and Recommendations, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, October 27, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing entitled "Protecting the Electric Grid: H.R. 2165, Bulk Power System Protection Act of 2009, and H.R. 2195, To amend the Federal Power Act to provide additional authorities to adequately protect the critical electric infrastructure against cyber attack," 9:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, October 27, to consider the following measures: October 1, 2009 Discussion Draft of the Private Fund Investment Advisers Registration Act of 2009 (to be reported as H.R. 3818, To amend the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 to require advisers of certain unregistered investment companies to register with and provide information to the Securities and Exchange Commission); October 1, 2009 Discussion Draft of the Investor Protection Act of 2009 (to be reported as H.R. 3817, To provide the Securities and Exchange Commission with additional authorities to protect investors from violations of the securities laws); Amendment in the nature of a substitute October 16 to H.R. 2609, Insurance Information Act of 2009; and Discussion Draft (revised) of October 16, 2009 of the Accountability and Transparency in Rating Agencies Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

October 29, hearing entitled "Systemic Regulation, Prudential Matters, Resolution Authority and Securitization," 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

October 30, hearing entitled “The Overdraft Protection Act of 2009,” 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, October 27, Subcommittees on the Western Hemisphere, the Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia and the Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Trade, joint hearing on Iran in the Western Hemisphere, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

October 28, full Committee, to mark up H.R. 2194, Iran Refined Petroleum Sanctions Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

October 28, Subcommittee on the Middle East and South Asia, hearing on A Regional Overview of the Middle East, 1 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

October 29, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health, hearing on A Call to Action on Food Security: A Progress Report on the Administration’s Global Strategy, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

October 29, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation and Trade, hearing on Flag on the Bag?: Foreign Assistance and the Struggle Against Terrorism, 10 a.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, October 27, Subcommittee on Emergency Communications, Preparedness and Response, hearing entitled “Preparedness: What has \$29 billion in homeland security grants bought and how do we know?” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

October 27, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity and Science, and Technology, hearing entitled “Real-Time Assessment of the Federal Response to Pandemic Influenza,” 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

October 29, Subcommittee on Management, Investigations and Oversight, hearing entitled “Creating ‘One DHS’ Part I: Standardizing Department of Homeland Security Financial Management,” 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, October 27, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law, hearing on the Legal Services Corporation, 11 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

October 27, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, hearing on Access to Justice Denied: *Ashcroft v. Iqbal*, 2:30 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

October 28, full Committee, hearing on Legal Issues Relating to Football Head Injuries, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

October 29, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on Racial Disparities in the Criminal Justice System, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, October 27, Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife, oversight hearing on Implementation of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Reauthorization Act of 2006, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

October 27, Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing entitled “Water Management and Climate Variability: Information Support at the USGS and Bureau of Reclamation,” 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

October 28, full Committee, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2213, To reauthorize the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act; H.R. 2888, Devils’s Staircase Wilderness Act of 2009; H.R. 2781, To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate segments of the

Molalla River in Oregon, as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; H.R. 86, To eliminate an unused lighthouse reservation, provide management consistency by bringing the rocks and small islands along the coast of Orange County, California, and meet the original Congressional intent of preserving Orange County’s rocks and small islands; and H.R. 118, To authorize the addition of 100 acres to Morristown National Historical Park, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, October 27, Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization and Procurement, hearing entitled “IT Procurement and Disposal: Application of the Federal Government’s Green Policies in the Life Cycle Management of its IT Assets,” 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

October 28, full Committee, hearing entitled “Executive Compensation: How Much is Too Much?” 11 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science and Technology, October 27, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, hearing on Developing Research Priorities at DHS’s Science and Technology Directorate, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

October 29, Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on the Next Generation of Fusion Energy Research, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, October 28, hearing entitled “The Recovery Act and Broad Evaluation of Broadband Investments on Small Businesses and Job Creation,” 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, October 27, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on Recovery Tracking Following the Dollars to the Jobs, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

October 28, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing on NEXTGEN: A Review of the RTCA Mid-Term Implementation Task Force Report, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

October 29, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing on Addressing the Problem of Distracted Driving, 9:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, October 28, to mark up pending business, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, October 27, executive, briefing on National Security Council Review, 3:30 p.m., 304 HVC.

October 27, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, and the Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management, joint hearing regarding the Congressional Notifications: Intelligence Community Policies, Practices, and Procedures, 10 a.m., 304 HVC.

October 28, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, executive, hearing on Peru Update, 2 p.m., 304 HVC.

October 28, Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence, executive, briefing on Overhead Architecture, 4 p.m., 304 HVC.

October 29, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on Hot Spots, 11 a.m., 304 HVC.

Select Committee on Energy Independence and Global Warming, October 29, hearing entitled “Fraudulent Letters Opposing Clean Energy Legislation,” 9:30 a.m., room to be announced.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: October 28, to hold hearings to examine advancing United States

interests in the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) region, 2 p.m., SVC–212/210.

Joint Economic Committee: October 29, to hold hearings to examine the impact of the Recovery Act on economic growth, 10 a.m., 2237, Rayburn Building.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

2 p.m., Monday, October 26

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12:30 p.m., Monday, October 26

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will be in a period of morning business.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.

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